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TO : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

DATE: 23 February 1956

FROM : Acting Chief, Intelligence School

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report No. 8
15 February - 22 February 1956

I. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

Nothing to report.

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II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Representatives of the A&E Staff have submitted to [] a proposed evaluation form for students in the Conference Leadership Course. He expects to have his comments and suggested revisions ready by next week.

2. [] Assistant to the DD/I (Admin), has forwarded the comments made by the TLO's of the DD/I offices on the ORR evaluation of the IPM Course. [] plans to discuss these comments with [] early next week.

3. [] held a conference with Mr. Paul Philips of USIA concerning that Agency's forthcoming publication on current Communist propaganda. They made suggestions and editorial comments to assist USIA in preparing this publication.

4. [] is currently participating in tutorial training for the Special Projects Branch, OS/OTR.

5. On Friday, 17 February, Messrs. [] attended an OTR Conference which was the first in a series to consider the revision of the curriculum for the courses dealing with Communism.

6. [] briefed the DD/I TLOs' meeting of 21 February on results of reading improvement training. [] discussed with the TLO's the future reading improvement plans which have been drafted as a result of the Director's recently expressed interest in reading problems.

The Training Liaison Officers reacted enthusiastically to the suggestion that all employees' reading skills should be analyzed in a brief testing program. They generally favored a mandatory 35 hour training course for employees whose jobs require reading, but some objections to mandatory training were expressed.

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7. Four members of the Psychology Department faculty of Mississippi Southern College visited the Reading Improvement Branch on Friday, 17 February. The visitors were: Dr. Ralph Staiger, Director of the Reading Clinic; Dr. Zed Burns, Head of the Psychology Department, Mr. Roland Frye, Psychology Instructor, and Mr. Aubrey Lucas, an Assistant in the Reading Clinic.

Technical reading improvement problems of general interest were discussed. The security officer of OTR gave prior permission for the visit.

8. The carpenters have completed the remodelling of Wing D, and the Reading Improvement Branch is being installed in its new quarters.

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